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GHS/OCD Host Multiple Online Training Opportunities from NDPTC

The Offices of Guam Homeland Security and Civil Defense (GHS/OCD), in coordination with the National Disaster Preparedness Training Center (NDPTC), will host multiple online training opportunities. All training will be held virtually and are free to eligible participants.

- Hurricane Awareness (AWR-343) Tuesday, September 15, 2020, 4 a.m. 8 a.m. (ChST) OR Tuesday, September 29, 2020 4 a.m. 8 a.m. (ChST)
 - Register for Tuesday, September 15 (ChST) at https://ndptc.hawaii.edu/training/delivery/2786/
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 - o Register for Tuesday, September 29 (ChST) at https://ndptc.hawaii.edu/training/delivery/2788/
 - This course will provide a basic understanding of hurricane science, forecasting, warning, and preparedness to help emergency managers, responders, government administrators, and community members make better, more informed decisions in hurricane planning and preparedness. The course enhances the ability of participants to identify and describe the conditions of tropical cyclone formation, provide official watch and warning definitions and to make recommendations in preparation for a hurricane and the associated hazards such as high winds, heavy rain, and storm surge.
- **Flooding Hazards: Science and Preparedness** Tuesday, September 22 **AND** Wednesday, September 23, 2020, 4 a.m. 8 a.m. (ChST). **Note: Both days must be attended to receive credit.**
 - o Register at https://ndptc.hawaii.edu/training/delivery/2790/
 - o As flooding is one of the top meteorological killers in the United States, and poses particular hazards to emergency responders, this introduction to recognizing flooding threats is essential for developing safe communities. The goal of this course is to prepare participants to recognize the conditions that lead to flood events, evaluate their community's risk, and prepare appropriately.
- Natural Disaster Awareness for Caregivers (AWR-308) Saturday, September 26, 2020, 7 a.m. 11 a.m. (ChST)
 - o Register at https://ndptc.hawaii.edu/training/delivery/2795/
 - o This course is designed to enhance the caregiver's awareness of vulnerability factors for those who require care. Participants will learn how to identify, prepare, and perform a number of support activities that will ensure the safety and security of care receivers when a natural hazard event occurs. Participants will also be introduced to best practices for personal preparedness prior to a disaster and encouraged to discuss plans and actions that they have already taken. Participants will then explore special considerations for disaster preparedness for dependents and those with access and functional needs.

- Coastal Hazard and Vulnerability Assessment Tools (PER-378) Friday, October 2 AND Saturday, October 3, 2020, 4 a.m. 8 a.m. (ET). Note: Both days must be attended to receive credit.
 - o Register at https://ndptc.hawaii.edu/training/delivery/2800/
 - o This one-day performance-level training course provides training on the available tools for the assessment and planning for natural hazards and vulnerabilities that uniquely affect coastal communities. Examples of these hazards are short term events such as high surf, storm surge, and tsunami inundation, or long term threats from sea level rise and coastal erosion.

For registration details, contact GHS/OCD State Training and Exercise Manager Patrick Leon Guerrero at (671) 475-9600 or via email at pat.leonguerrero@ghs.guam.gov.

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